

MAJOR PLANS TO BE A TEMPERATE GOVERNOR

Missouri Has Been "Het Up" Too Long, Thinks Executive-to-Be.

FIGHTING NO WINDMILLS

"Champ and Me Never Toted Guns," Says Speaker's Old Law Partner.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 18.—Speaker Champ Clark's old law partner, Elliot W. Major, was elected last month Governor of Missouri. Quite a distinction, it is claimed, for one little law office to turn out a Speaker of the House of Representatives and a Governor of Missouri. Mr. Major is just finishing his fourth year as Attorney-General of the State. He is now preparing his inaugural address.

What the incoming Governor was asked, will be your paramount issue? "Doing nothing," replied Champ's old partner. "If I were a tenderfoot I would start out to regulate everything from Standard Oil and everybody from John D. down to the traffic squad men and the pushcarts; but having opposed one Attorney-General for four years so as to succeed him in office for another four years I have learned all there is to be about windmills and Sancho Panza. I am going into what history I see as the Governor who left the crest of the wave to the bunch who were stirring it up. I have only one fad to exploit, and it scarcely concerns the public."

"Name?" "I think there are too many crazy bugs in office and too many sane men in the asylums. I shall steer clear of bugs in my official life, and as Governor will have all our insane asylums overhauled to free those poor cusses who have been sent there by bugs or for convenience. After that I propose to have the entire system of keeping insane persons chained. As a matter of fact I shall oppose their being kept if I find possible to cure them."

"That is not much of a job for a Governor," it was submitted. "It is. It will keep me from doing other things. This Governor business has been done to death. This nation was being steered to regard a rickshaws as a necessary evil. The boss would always get away with the baggage if there was any to get away with. I went into the office of Attorney-General to find our State at war with every corporation doing business in it. Nearly I spent four years ironing out the crookedness and I think things are about normal again."

National stampede of last month made it look as though it would be plain necessary for me to tighten up the cinches, jam the spurs into the sides of the errand and go blank bent for election after the trusts again. But the trouble is I have been Attorney-General for four years and I know a windmill when I see it. I never did go on that political drunk which so many officeholders did, so I do not have to sober up. But I say right now, and I will say in my inaugural there will be no grand roundup of the capitalists and no Statewide wolf chase in Missouri while I am Governor."

We are back to 98½ degrees temperature again in Missouri. It would not make much in the case of a hot man as they say in Pike, but the Eastern creditors and would-be creditors can lay right over the State line, picket their horses out and start trading just as soon as they have a mind to. If you came here expecting to find me wearing a knitted cap so as to fit bumps you are plumb off. My head's no darn ordinary that I am almost human. I can wear a derby without any discomfort when he got so much sense. He replied:

"I read law in Champ Clark's office. I knew Champ was a big man and was going to be bigger, so I guess I assimilated. I found that all the really great works in his library were written in simple language and in really great words. I learned to learn from them that all the great enactments were brought about gradually, and I concluded that what had been the successful way for 4,000 years might not be amenable to change now."

When I was put in the engine room of the State House as Attorney-General I found that Champ's books which I had read were all right. I am going to have a tremendous disappointment, if it is looking for a special edition every time I look at a railroad. I want the blamed things to keep running. That was Champ's way when we were together in Pike county."

This prodigy of a Governor-elect whose discovery is that he is an ordinary man resembles his old associate the Speaker in scarcely one particular. Whereas Speaker Clark weighs a ton, Gov. Major is positively skinny. If he had whiskers Major would look a good deal like the pictures of Lincoln. Champ Clark's speech is of slow delivery. Gov. Major talks staccato. Champ's preface and epilogue are funny stories. His old law partner does not know any. Champ has always wanted to get into the national Senate, but never could manage it. Major wanted to go to the State Senate and got to be Governor.

"I can tell you what is the matter with the people to-day," said Gov. Major. "They have got the photograph habit. They want a thick needle in the diaphragm and a big megaphone to intensify the sound. I move they will sing the same sort of song that others have been singing, only I will not have a loud needle nor a horn. I do not want to score capital out of the block. I want it to stick around and let our people get a holt of some of it. Missouri is going to get to bed long about an hour or so after sundown this winter."

"There will be no chivareeing during this first legislative session of mine. Most anybody can stampede a herd, but sure as guns the cattle will let up after a while and a couple of line riders will be able to turn them all back onto their own range and hold them there. Missouri has just been through a stampede. I know enough not to start another, politically, financially, socially, or any other way. Champ Clark and me never toted guns. Yet he is Speaker of the House, and January 13, if God lets me live, I'll be Governor of this State of ours, to speak the vernacular, which most of us understand and more ought to employ."

\$8,000 FOR BOY AUTO CRIPPLED.

His Father Gets \$8,000 for Skin to Cover His Wounds.

MINNEOLA, La., Dec. 18.—Edward Donaldson, Jr., was awarded \$8,000 and his father \$2,000 in a suit for damages against Mrs. Elsie Halstead of 230 Clinton street, Brooklyn, to-day, by a jury in Justice Kelly's court.

Mrs. Halstead's automobile ran down the Donaldson boy at Sea Cliff, where the Halsteads have a summer residence. The boy's left hip bone was fractured and the calf of the right leg torn from the knee to the ankle joint.

The boy's father gave forty-eight inches of skin from his body to cover the wound on his boy's leg. The boy's right leg will be shorter than his left. He sued for \$25,000 and his father for \$10,000.

NEW MATCH LAW BECOMES A BURNING PUBLIC ISSUE

Many Organizations Protest Against Changes in Its Provisions.

There was a meeting yesterday afternoon at the Labor Temple, Second avenue and Fourteenth street, to protest against any changes in the new match law which goes into effect on January 1. The meeting was called because it was understood pressure was being brought to bear upon the Board of Aldermen to repeal the ordinance or make it ineffective.

Among the speakers were Mrs. William Grant Brown, president of the New York City Federation of Women's Clubs; Peter J. Brady, secretary of the Central Union Label Council of Greater New York; ex-Chief Croker of the Fire Department; Dr. Henry Moscovitz of the committee of safety of New York City; and Mrs. Eva McDonald Walsh, editor of the American Club Woman and president of the Women's National Fire Prevention Association. Dr. John Haynes Holmes of the Church of the Messiah presided.

Ex-Chief Croker said that fuse matches and card matches are dangerous. The Fire Department reports for 1911 showed that in New York city 259 fires were started by the carelessness of match users, and 167 fires were set by children playing with matches, the loss from these fires aggregating \$88,000.

Representatives of several match companies, the Diamond Match Company and the Fred Fear Match Company of Pennsylvania, said that all they wanted was time to recall from 15,000 retail dealers in New York city the stock of phosphorous matches now on hand and time to supply the dealers with the non-phosphorous match.

W. F. Fairburn, general superintendent of the Diamond Match Company, pleaded that the company had not had time to put a new stock of non-phosphorous matches on the market and recall the present stock.

Ray S. Gilbert, representing the Fred Fear Match Company of Philadelphia, said that the reason that they didn't want to have an impregnated match was because of the cost of manufacturing such a match in what he called a semi-continuous machine.

President Hutchins of the Salvation Match Company, which now manufactures exclusively matches that come within the requirements of the new ordinance, said that his company regarded the law as a good one.

Resolutions were adopted providing for the appointment of a committee to protest against any change in the law.

WITNESS FEARS HER FATHER.

Mrs. Lockwood Asks Court to Have Aged Parent Seated Further Away.

Mrs. Virginia Neil Lockwood, the twenty-one-year-old daughter of Dr. James Neil, a Harlem physician, who is 84 years old, asked Supreme Court Justice Giegerich yesterday to request her father to move away from her while she was testifying in the suit brought by the doctor to have set aside the transfer of a \$6,000 mortgage to her.

"All the time I was testifying yesterday," Mrs. Lockwood said, "I heard my father calling me a liar and once he raised his arm as if about to strike me. I want him moved far enough away so I won't have to hear him calling me names."

Charles Blandy, attorney for Dr. Neil, told him to keep quiet, and when the aged physician started to say something he was assisted to a seat further from the witness.

The case will be continued to-day.

BLACK GUILTY OF FORGERY.

Former Treasurer of Knickerbocker Savings Convicted.

T. Atherton Black, who formerly lived at the Republican Club and was treasurer of the now defunct Knickerbocker Savings and Loan Company, was found guilty yesterday of forgery that consisted of making false entries in his books to conceal larceny of \$13,000. Restitution has been made by Black's mother, Caroline Black, of Scranton, Pa.

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